

In the claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A cuff assembly ~~for attachment to~~ at an open end of a sleeve of a garment, said assembly comprising:
a cuff attached about an open end of a sleeve, said cuff presenting a free edge surrounding an opening for projection of a user's hand therethrough;
a panel attached to said cuff, said panel having a first end integral with said free edge of said cuff and a second end displaced therefrom;
said panel further having first and second longitudinal edges attached along said cuff, wherein to present first and second fold lines therealong, said panel foldable along said fold lines and said first end between a first position wherein said opening of said cuff is uncovered by said panel and a second position wherein said opening of said cuff is covered by said panel, said panel at said second position adapted to cover a hand extending through the sleeve and said cuff opening;
a thumb cover projecting from said the sleeve, said thumb cover having a first position along the sleeve inhibiting an extension of a user's thumb therein and a second position projecting from said the sleeve adapted for extension of a user's thumb therein[.];
a purchase material at one end of said cuff, said purchase material exposed at said second panel position, said purchase material enhancing a user's grip of articles when said cuff is in said second position covering a user's hand.

2. (Cancelled.)

3. (Original) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 1 further comprising a purchase material on said thumb cover for enhancing a user's pick up of articles when the thumb is in said thumb cover at said second thumb cover position.

4. (Cancelled.)

5. (Original) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 1 wherein said thumb cover at said first position is insertable between said panel and said cuff at said panel first position, whereby to maintain said thumb cover along the sleeve.

6. (Currently Amended) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 1 wherein said thumb cover at said first position is positioned underneath said the sleeve, whereby to maintain said thumb cover along the sleeve.

7. (Currently Amended) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 1 wherein at least said panel of said cuff assembly is made of a material having a greater gripping surface relative to a material of the sleeve.

8. (Currently Amended) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 1 wherein at least said panel of said cuff assembly is made of a ribbed material providing an enhanced gripping surface relative to a material of the sleeve.

9. (Original) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 1 wherein said panel covers approximately one half a circumference of said cuff.

10. (Currently Amended) A cuff assembly ~~for attachment to~~ at an open end of a sleeve of a garment, said assembly comprising:

a cuff attached about an open end of a sleeve, said cuff presenting a free edge surrounding an opening for projection of a user's hand therethrough;

a purchase surface on said cuff;

a panel attached to said cuff, said panel having a first end integral with said free edge of said cuff;

said panel foldable along said free edge between a first position wherein said panel is displaced from said opening while covering said purchase surface and a second position covering said opening and exposing said purchase surface, said panel at said second position adapted to cover a hand extending through the sleeve and said cuff opening with said exposed purchase surface enabling enhancing the covered hand to grip objects.

11. (Currently Amended) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 10 further comprising a thumb cover projecting from ~~said the sleeve, said thumb cover having a first position along the sleeve and a second position projecting from said sleeve upon said panel being at said second position,~~ said thumb cover adapted for extension of a user's thumb therein.

12. (Currently Amended) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 11 further comprising a purchase surface on said thumb cover ~~exposed for use at said second thumb cover position, said thumb cover purchase surface enhancing the thumb therein to grip objects.~~

13. (Cancelled.)

14. (New) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 10 wherein said panel covers a portion of a circumference of said cuff.

15. (New) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 10 further comprising a thumb cover projecting from the sleeve, said thumb cover having a first position along the sleeve and a second position projecting from the sleeve upon said panel being at said second position, said thumb cover at said second position adapted for extension of a user's thumb therein.

16. (New) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 15 further comprising a purchase surface on said thumb cover exposed for use at said second thumb cover position.

17. (New) A cuff assembly at an open end of a sleeve of a garment, said assembly comprising:

a cuff attached about an open end of a sleeve, said cuff presenting a free edge surrounding an opening for projection of a user's hand therethrough;

a panel attached to said cuff, said panel having a first end integral with said free edge of said cuff and a second end displaced therefrom;

said panel further having first and second longitudinal edges attached along said cuff,

wherein to present first and second fold lines therealong, said panel foldable along said fold lines and said first end between a first position wherein said opening of said cuff is uncovered by said panel and a second position wherein said opening of said cuff is covered by said panel, said panel at said second position adapted to cover a hand extending through the sleeve and said cuff opening;

a purchase material at one end of said cuff, said purchase material exposed at said second panel position, said purchase material enhancing a user's grip of articles when said panel is in said second position covering a user's hand.

18. (New) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 17 further comprising a thumb cover projecting from the sleeve and adapted for insertion of a user's thumb therein.

19. (New) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 18 wherein said thumb cover has a first position along the sleeve and a second position projecting from the sleeve upon said panel being at said second position, said thumb cover at said second position for said insertion of a user's thumb therein.

20. (New) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 18 further comprising a purchase surface on said thumb cover, said thumb cover purchase surface enhancing the covered thumb to grip objects.

21. (New) The cuff assembly as claimed in claim 19 further comprising a purchase surface on said thumb cover, said thumb cover exposed at said second thumb cover position enhancing the covered thumb to grip objects.